

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR: 12
AREA: Madison Square-Oliver District

SURVEY NO.: B-3972
MAGI NO.: 0439725640

ADDRESS: 1312 E. Eager Street
CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK: 1189 LOT: 27
HEIGHT: 3
CONDITION: Good

LOT SIZE:
MATERIALS: Stucco and terra cotta
OWNER:
ADDRESS:
ACCESSIBLE: Yes, restricted
LIBER/FOLIO:

USE: Residential
DESIGNATION:

HISTORIC NAME: Democratic Club of the 10th Ward
DATE: Ca. 1885
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

The Democratic Club is a three story brick building with a stucco facade and terra cotta "Gibbs surround" detailing around the window openings and a large arched opening containing the first story windows and doorway. The house is located on the north side of East Eager at the corner of an alley running between North Central Avenue and North Eager Street in the vicinity of Madison Square in east central Baltimore, Maryland. The building terminates the east end of a group of rowhouses facing south. The main elevation is dominated by the large segmental arch which surrounds the central entrance and flanking one over one windows. The transom area over the door is filled with stained glass, but is pierced by a projecting central air conditioner. The door has a central glazed panel and is set off by slender colonettes. The upper stories have two bays each, with one over one sash and flat arches. The cornice is a small plain box type partially obscured by a gutter. The east elevation facing the alley features a stepped parapet wall at the roofline which disguises a flat roof. The stucco is painted white and the Gibbs surrounds are black.

SIGNIFICANCE:

AREA: Arch; politics/government LEVEL: Local

The Democratic Club of the Tenth Ward was founded about 1915 and occupied 1312 East Eager Street as its meeting house from approximately 1916 until the World War II era. The club may have been formed by non-Irish Catholic Democrats as a counter organization to the powerful Hendricks Democratic Club, which was the dominant party organization in both the Tenth Ward and the entire city beginning in the late 1880's and ending about 1940. The building at 1312 East Eager Street was built probably about 1885 as a residence and presumably had a more typical two-bay elevation. The conversion to a club in the early 20th century resulted in the distinctive arched first floor facade and the alternating projections of the window surrounds.

SOURCES: Pratt Md. Dept. VF: Clubs-Baltimore - Gov. O'Connor, 10th Ward; City directories

SURVEYOR AND DATE: Janet L. Davis, CHAP, April 1987

PROPERTY ACQUISITION

LEGEND

- PROJECT AREA BOUNDARY
- PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED
- (B) BLOCK NUMBER
- (L) LOT NUMBER
- HOUSE NUMBER

B-3972
Democratic
Club of the
10th Ward
1312 E. Eager St.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

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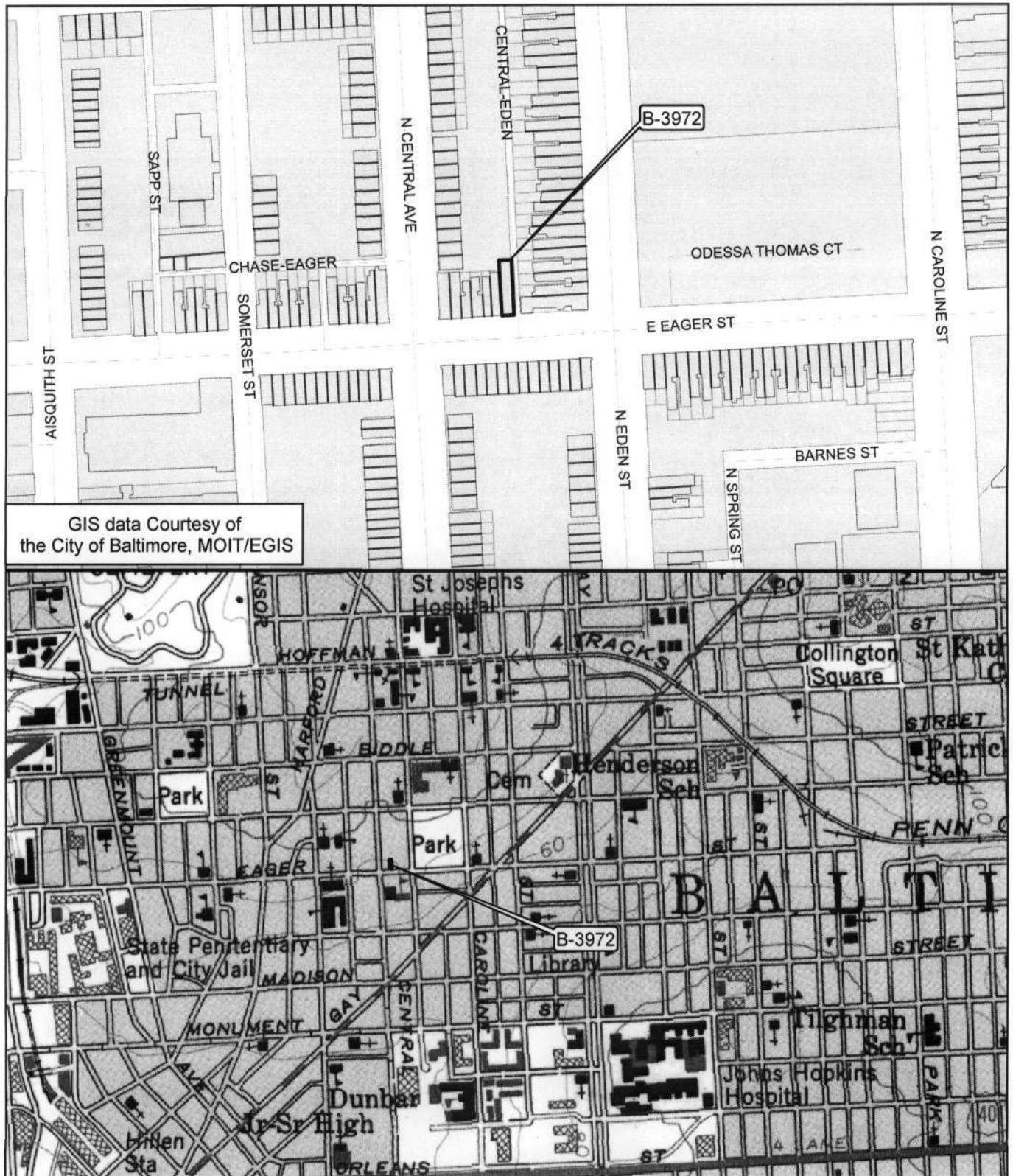
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EXHIBIT

B-3972
Democratic Club of the 10th Ward
1312 E. Eager Street
Block 1189, Lot 027
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





Democratic Club of the 10th Ward

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1312 East Eager Street

Baltimore, Maryland

Photographer: Janet Davis

July 1986

Neg. loc: Md. SHPO

South elevation